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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Edward J. Powers of Sugar Grove, who passed away on May 1, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Powers was born on November 29, 1937 in Albany, New York; he was raised in Oak Park and graduated from Fenwick High School; he then graduated from St. Regis University in Denver, Colorado with an economics degree; and

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WHEREAS, After fulfilling his military obligation, Edward Powers joined Clow Corporation in Chicago, where he was employed for 25 years; after being transferred for several years around the Midwest, he settled his family in Aurora; in 1985, he began his career as owner and president of PowerSeal Pipeline, an internationally-recognized manufacturer of pipeline fittings based in Wichita Falls, Texas; he remained actively involved in PowerSeal until his death; and

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WHEREAS, Edward Powers was an active member of Holy Angels Parish for 30 years; he was a loyal supporter of Fenwick High School, Marmion Academy, Rosary High School, and Catholic education; he was a Prestbury board member for over 7 years and a 50-year member of the American Water Works Association and other industry related organizations; and

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1 WHEREAS, Edward Powers was preceded in death by his
2 parents, James and Kathryn (Nash) Powers; and

3 WHEREAS, Edward Powers is survived by his wife, Mary
4 (Fitzsimmons) Powers; his children, Jim (Janene) Powers, Cate
5 (Tom) Hickey, Brian (Janet) Powers, Patrick (Andrea) Powers,
6 and Sean Powers; 11 grandchildren, Samantha, Jack, and Patrick
7 Hickey, Brendan and Joe Powers, Jack and Daniella Powers, and
8 Maria Isabel, Camila, Nash, and Sean Powers; his sister, Carol
9 Blonquist; his brothers, Ken Powers and Jim Powers; and his
10 many nieces and nephews; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn, along with
13 his family and friends, the passing of Edward J. Powers; and be
14 it further

15 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
16 presented to the family of Edward Powers as an expression of
17 our sympathy.